

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY LIBREVILLE

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INFO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

RUTAIJ AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN 1347

AMEMBASSY ALGIERS

AMEVBASSY BRAZZAVILLE

AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

AMEMBASSY DAKAR

AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

AMEMBASSY LOME

AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY RABAT

AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI

USINT HAVANA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PBOR, CG, GB

SUBJ: MOBUTU VISITS GABON

1. ZAIRIAN PRESIDENT MOBUTU, ACCOMPANIED BY COMMISSIONER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS UMBA DI LUTETE, AMBASSADOR AT LARGE LENGEMA DULIA AND ZAF CHIEF OF STAFF GENERAL KIKUNDA SPENT SEVERAL HOURS MEETING WITH PRESIDENT BONGO AT FRANCEVILLE IN GABON'S INTERIOR JUNE 22. DURING COURSE OF PRESS INTERVIEW MOBUTU DESCRIBED ZAIRIAN ECONOMIC AND MILITARY SITUATION AND WHAT HE WAS ATTEMPTING TO DO ABOUT IT WITHOUT BREAKING NEW GROUND.

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HE CHARGED ONCE AGAIN THAT CUBAN SOLDIERS HAD PARTICIPATED IN SHABA AND SAID THAT ZAIRE WOULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE HAVANA NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT BECAUSE CUBA IS NOT NON-ALIGNED. MOBUTU THEN ASSERTED THAT MILITARY PERSONNEL FROM TWO UNNAMED NORTH AFRICAN COUNTRIES FOUGHT ALONGSIDE THE KATANGAN GUERRILLAS. COMMENT: THIS IS FIRST TIME WE HAVE SEEN THIS THINLY DISGUISED ACCUSATION THAT ALGERIA AND LIBYA HAD GIVEN OVERT SUPPORT TO KATANGESE

REBELS. END COMMENT. MOBUTU ALSO HAD PREDICTABLE WORDS OF PRAISE FOR THE COUNTRIES WHICH HAD RESPONDED TO BONGO'S CALL FOR CREATION OF INTERVENTION FORCE. BONGO CHIPPED IN AT THIS POINT TO LAMENT POLITICAL DIVISIONS WITHIN OAU SAPPING THE ORGANIZATIONS STRENGTH.

2. ACCORDING GABONESE PRESS, MOBUTU AND PARTY RETURNED TO KINSHASA SAME EVENING. TIENKEN

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